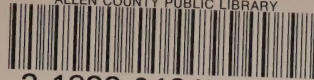


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OF THE

TOWN OF SEARSMONT

MAINE

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Hutchins Brothers, Thorndike, Maine

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
LEWIS GRAY

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
PERRY L. DAVIS DOROTHY ALBIN
ROBERT WOOD

Town Treasurer
DOROTHY L. BRADEEN

Town Clerk and Tax Collector
DOROTHY L. BRADEEN

Director of M. S. A. D. No. 34
DUNCAN DWELLE

Superintendent
RICHARD E. A. MARKS

Health Officer
LOUISE MacKENZIE

Fire Chief
GEORGE SPROWL

Constable
WARREN HEATH, JR.

Sexton
WARREN HEATH, JR.

Registrar of Voters
ELINOR L. MacKENZIE

Civil Defense Director
ARTHUR BUCK

Ballot Clerks
VIDA MEHUREN CAROLINE MORSE
EVELYN LUCAS BERNICE KEENE

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Real Estate, Resident	\$703,580.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	275,895.00	
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		\$979,475.00
Personal Estate Resident	\$207,965.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	30,540.00	
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		\$238,505.00
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Total Valuation of Real and Personal	\$1,217,980.00	

Taxable Livestock and Fowl

197 Cows, Beef, etc.	\$19,700.00	
Domestic Fowl over 50 in Numbber	22,580.00	
Other Taxable Livestock	15,850.00	
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		\$58,130.00

Other Personal Property

Stock in Trade	\$10,000.00	
Machinery and Equipment	107,225.00	
Watercraft	9,250.00	
Wood, Lumber and Logs	53,900.00	
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		\$180,375.00
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Total Personal Property	\$238,505.00	

Exempt

130 Livestock 18 Mos. and Younger	\$3,250.00	\$3,250.00
Assessments Real Estate and Personal		\$131,541.84

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Appropriations

Tax Commitment, July 25, 1973	\$131,541.84
Supplementary Commitment	1,166.66
State Revenue Sharing Estimated	3,154.09

 \$135,862.59

Voted at Town Meeting	\$27,315.34
School Assessment	97,218.13
County Tax	7,336.50
Overlay	2,825.96
Supplementary Tax	1,166.66

 \$135,862.59
Town Property

Land Formerly Old Town Hall Site	\$ 100.00
Community Building and Land	4,400.00
Road Machinery	50.00
Road Sander	300.00
Snow Fence	700.00
Three Safes	75.00
One Third Interest in Weights	30.00
One Half Interest in Measure	10.00
Office Furniture	275.00
One Adding Machine	125.00
One Type Writer	25.00
Fire Equipment	8,350.00
Fire House and Land	1,000.00
Two Walkie-Talkies	50.00
Four Two Way Radios	450.00
Two Sirens	70.00
Annex to Oak Grove Cemetery	500.00
State of Maine, Ruffingham Meadow	2,800.00
Hillcrest and Brown Property	3,000.00

 \$22,310.00

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Town Property Account

By Virtue of Tax Liens

Norman Hall Property

Harold Wiley

Phillip Willey

Excise Tax

Excise Tax Collections 1973	\$11,316.42
Excise Tax Collections 1974	4,216.72
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	\$15,533.14
Transferred to Snow Removal	\$15,533.14

Overlay

July 25, 1973	\$2,825.96
To Surplus	\$2,825.96

State Revenue Sharing

Estimated, to Reduce Commitment	\$3,154.09
Actual Amount Received	\$3,296.64
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Balance to 1974 Commitment	\$142.55

Abatements (1968)

Personal Tax Douglas Ripley	\$9.50
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(1969)

Personal Tax	
Charles Jewell	24.30

(1970)

Personal Tax James Birkbeck	31.20
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(1971)

Poll Taxes	
Steven Seekins	3.00
Earl Chandler	3.00

(1972)

Poll Taxes	
Peter Hope	3.00
Harold Wiley	3.00
Edward Scott Jr.	3.00
Malcolm Callahan Jr.	3.00

Charge to Surplus	83.00
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Contingent

Appropriations	\$1,000.00	
Credits	1,138.48	
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		\$2,138.48

Distrubutions:

Dorothy Bradeen	\$234.52	
Jennie Pearse	12.00	
Richard Ames	15.00	
Field & Quimby Inc.	265.00	
State Treasurer (Audit)	522.45	
Forest Bradeen	17.50	
Arthur Buck	10.00	
Vera Libby	10.00	
Depositors Trust Co.	6.00	
The Republican Journal	74.20	
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	\$1,166.67	\$2,138.48
Balance to Surplus	971.81	
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	\$2,138.48	\$2,138.48

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Tax Collectors Commission

Appropriation: \$2,200.00

Distribution:

Dorothy Bradeen	\$2,090.72	
Balance to Surplus	109.28	
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	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00

Maine Municipal Association

Appropriation \$177.60

Distribution:

Maine Municipal Association	\$177.60	
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	\$177.60	\$177.60

Maine Municipal Association Building Fund

Appropriation \$152.74

Distribution:

Maine Municipal Bldg. Fund	\$152.74	
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	\$152.74	\$152.74

Town Officers Salaries

Appropriation \$2,900.00

Distribution:

Lewis Gray (Moderator)	\$ 15.00
Dorothy Bradeen (Treasurer)	200.00
Dorothy Bradeen (Town Clerk)	75.00
Bernice Keene (Ballot Clerk)	24.64
Ruth Killeen (Ballot Clerk)	4.48

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Vida Mehuren (Ballot Clerk)	24.64	
Caroline Morse (Ballot Clerk)	24.64	
Evelyn Lucas (Ballot Clerk)	20.16	
Elinor MacKenzie (Registrar of Voters)	100.00	
Warren Heath Jr. (Constable)	30.60	
Charles R. MacKenzie (Constable)	24.48	
Louise MacKenzie (Health Officer)	25.00	
George Sprowl (Fire Chief)	200.00	
Robert Wood (3rd. Selectman)	500.00	
Dorothy Albin (2nd. Selectman)	500.00	
Perry Davis (1st. Selectman)	1,000.00	
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	\$2,768.64	
Balance to Surplus	131.36	
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	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00

Town Report Fuel and Office Supplies

Appropriation \$2,000.00

Distribution:

Central Maine Power Co.	\$ 218.66
Maine Telephone Co.	181.20
Loring, Short and Harmon	118.62
Frost and Wilkins, Inc.	685.12
Marks Printing House	78.85
The Republican Journal	4.20
Hutchins Bros.	275.09
Dept. of Education & Cultural Service	15.00
Sprowl Bros., Inc.	11.73
Elinor MacKenzie	18.36
Dorothy Bradeen	34.00

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Thelma Ratten	32.00	
Branham Publishing Co.	10.10	
	\$1,682.93	
Balance to Surplus	317.07	
	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00

Fire Department Equipment

Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
Balance from 1972	61.60	
Credits	190.00	
		\$2,251.60

Distribution:

Heath's Garage	\$198.67	
Field & Quimby, Inc.	225.00	
Maine Telephone Co. of Maine	442.92	
Central Maine Power Co.	42.89	
Sprowl Bros. Inc.	3.25	
Belfast Fire Department	166.64	
C. E. Howes	21.67	
Frost & Wilkins Inc.	114.00	
Blanchard Associates	936.34	
	\$2,151.38	
Balance Carried to 1974	100.22	
	\$2,251.60	\$2,251.60

Fire Department Men

Carried Foward from 1972		\$25.00
Carried to 1974	\$25.00	

Street Lights

Appropriation		\$750.00
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Distribution:		
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Central Maine Power Co.	\$704.40	
Balance to Surplus	45.60	
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	\$750.00	\$750.00

Civil Defense

1972 Balance Carried Forward		\$274.00
Carried to 1974	\$274.00	

Pine Blister Rust Control

Appropriation		\$600.00
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Distribution:		
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Herbert C. Brown	\$122.28	
Carol R. Brown	119.34	
Kathy H. Sparrow	119.34	
Cathy L. Ramsdell	119.34	
Susan A. Ramsey	119.34	
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	\$599.64	
Balance to Surplus	.36	
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	\$600.00	\$600.00

Mid Coast Mental Health Clinic

Appropriation		\$75.00
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Distribution:		
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Mid Coast Mental Health Clinic	\$75.00	
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	\$75.00	\$75.00

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Health Clinic

Appropriation		\$25.00
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Distribution:

Gould's Pharmacy	\$14.49	
Balance to Surplus	10.51	
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	\$25.00	\$25.00

Searsmont Planning Board

Appropriation		\$100.00
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Distribution:

Dept. of Education and Cultural Service	\$15.00	
Balance Carried to 1974	85.00	
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	\$100.00	\$100.00

Town Dump

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Balance from 1972		547.35

\$1,547.35

Distribution:

Field & Quimby	\$ 18.00
Howard Clark	256.00
Rose Boudin	4.48
Jeanine Boudin	4.48
C. E. Howes	6.50

\$ 289.~~46~~

Balance Carried to 1974 1,257.~~88~~

\$1,547.35	\$1,547.35
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Liberty Volunteer Ambulance Service

Appropriation	\$200.00
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Distribution:

L.V.A.S.	200.00
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Town Road Improvement (T. R. I.)

Apportioned by State	\$3,864.00
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Foremans Wages & Expenses Paid by State	342.50
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Available from State	\$3,521.50
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Distribution:

Frederick Lucas	\$1,666.92
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R. H. Parlin	250.20
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L. F. Wescott	152.90
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M. R. Young	223.20
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R. W. Ingraham	222.40
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H. W. Clark	69.50
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C. W. Drinkwater	187.65
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F. E. Jones	234.05
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E. G. Tobey	275.00
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Bancroft & Martin, Inc.	15.60
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Richard Ames	172.80
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James Bartlett	229.50
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	\$3,702.72
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Overdraft Charge to Surplus	\$181.22
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	\$3,702.72
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State Aid Road

Appropriation (6 Units)	\$3,996.00
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Raised	1,460.00
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From Surplus	2,536.00	
State Apportionment for 1973	6,193.00	
Bonus on 1973 Fund	4,075.92	
Balance 1972 (6 Units)	5,235.44	
Balance (2 Unit Fund)	332.67	
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Amount Available Joint Funds	\$19,833.83	
Expended by State	\$17,801.41	
Balance of State Fund	2,032.42	
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	\$19,833.83	\$19,833.83

Road and Bridge

Appropriation	\$5,000.00
Credit	65.91

North (F. N. Lucas)

Distribution:

Marriner's Inc.	\$484.14
Warren Bros. Co.	64.35
Arnold Abbott	313.50
Frederick N. Lucas	1,228.30
Edwin O. Littlefield	46.95
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	\$2,137.24

(East by C. W. Drinkwater)

Distribution:

Arnold Abbott	\$313.50
W. H. Shurtleff Co.	260.00
Bancroft & Martin, Inc.	140.66
Marriner's, Inc.	40.97
C. W. Drinkwater	565.45
P. L. Davis	14.28

H. W. Clark	211.95
Edward Davis	8.16
Isaiah Davis	20.00
Carroll Frost	99.20
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	\$1,674.17

South by (H. W. Clark)

Distribution:

Arnold Abbott	\$236.50	
W. H. Shurtleff Co.	260.00	
Marriner's Inc.	90.20	
Richard Ames	13.50	
H. W. Clark	663.75	
Bancroft & Martin Inc.	195.54	
Alton Hammond	14.40	
C. W. Drinkwater	253.58	
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	\$1,727.48	\$5,065.91
Total 3 Accounts	5,538.88	
Overdraft Charge to Surplus		472.98
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	\$5,538.88	\$5,538.88

Snow Removal (Ploughing)

Appropriation (All Excise Tax Money)	\$15,533.14
State of Maine	3,996.00
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	\$19,529.14

Distribution:

Warren Heath Sr.	\$ 804.40
Warren Heath Jr.	75.48
Basil Pearse Jr.	57.96
Charles MacKenzie	69.36

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Fred Cross	109.72
Ronald Fuller	766.43
Kenneth Whitehead Jr.	28.12
Edwin Fuller	141.60
Russell Fuller	19.38
Depositors Trust Co.	116.35
Paul Pearse	11.25
Rodney Fuller	58.80
T. W. Dick Co. Inc.	359.79
F. N. Lucas	597.40
Donald Fuller	9.18

\$3,225.22

Snow Removal (Sanding)

Distribution:

Warren Heath, Sr.	\$1,356.35
Charles MacKenzie	93.84
Warren Heath Jr.	115.28
Basil Pearse Jr.	46.40
Ronald Fuller Sr.	1,731.34
Norman Roberts	34.31
Fred Cross	85.44
Russell Fuller	59.00
Edwin Fuller	99.82
Ronald Fuller Jr.	16.32
Cliffon Marriner Jr.	8.16
Field & Quimby, Inc.	25.00
Bryant Steel Works	312.18
The Chemical Corporation	971.62
Richard Ames	105.25
James Bartlett	303.15
F. N. Lucas	2,627.30
Donald Fuller	13.44
James Bradeen	13.44

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Woodie Sherwood Jr.	13.44	
Laurance Harriman Jr.	13.44	
Edgar Pert	29.12	
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Plowing and Sanding	\$11,298.86	\$19,529.14
Balance to Surplus	8,230.28	
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	\$19,529.14	\$19,529.14

Tarring Town Roads

(H. W. Clark)

Appropriation	\$2,500.00
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Distribution:

Marriner's Inc., Appleton Ridge Road .,		
Marriner's Inc., Appleton		
Ridge Road	\$1,000.00	
Marriner's Inc., Ghent Hill	500.00	
Marriner's Inc., Belfast Union		
Road South	1,000.00	
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	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00

(F. N. Lucas)

Appropriation	New England Road	\$2,000.00
	West Appleton Road	200.00
	Thompson Ridge Road	1,500.00
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		\$3,700.00
Paid State of Maine	\$3,475.91	
Balance to Surplus	224.09	
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	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00

Morrow Road

Appropriation	\$200.00
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Distribution:

F. N. Lucas	\$208.25	
Overdraft Charge to Surplus		8.25
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	\$208.25	\$208.25

Pond Road

Appropriation \$1,000.00

Distribution:

Arnold Abbott	\$ 66.00	
W. H. Shurtleff Co.	56.00	
Bancroft & Martin Inc.	76.44	
C. W. Drinkwater	137.47	
H. W. Clark	84.65	
Ronald Fuller	48.65	
Fred Lucas	272.79	
Carroll Frost	24.80	
Elwood Tobey	48.65	
Raymond Parlin	48.65	
James Bartlett	69.30	
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	\$933.40	
Balance to Surplus	66.60	
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	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

Robbins Road

Appropriation \$500.00

Distribution:

W. H. Shurtleff Co.	\$56.00
C. W. Drinkwater	69.22
H. W. Clark	20.85
Ronald Fuller	20.85

Fred Lucas	122.69
Arnold Abbott	22.00
Elwood Tobey	20.85
Raymond Parlin	20.85
Lucas & Bagley	149.27
James Bartlett	31.50

Overdraft Charge to Surplus	34.08
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	\$534.08
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	\$534.08

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation	\$ 50.00
1972 Balance Carried	57.37
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Carried to 1974	\$107.37

Veterans Aid

Appropriation	\$25.00
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Carried to 1974	\$25.00

Poor Relief

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
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Distribution:

(Case No. 1) Town of Pittsfield	\$ 3.06
(Case No. 2) City of Bangor	15.00
(Case No. 3) C. E. Howes	89.55
(Case No. 4) C. E. Howes	36.89
(Case No. 4) Frost & Wilkins Inc.	12.90
(Case No. 5) Liberty Vol.	
Ambulance	40.90

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(Case No. 6) Liberty Vol.

Ambulance	59.25	
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	\$257.55	
Credit from Town of Winterport		89.55
Balance to Surplus	832.00	
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	\$1,089.55	\$1,089.55

Surplus Foods

Appropriation		\$300.00
Distribution:		
Waldo County Committee		
for Social Action	\$276.00	
Balance to Surplus	24.00	
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	\$300.00	\$300.00

Federal Revenue Sharing 1972

Appropriation		\$9,218.00
Fire House Building Fund	\$3,500.00	
Locating and Developing a		
New Dump	5,500.00	
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	\$9,000.00	
Balance		218.00
Interest		289.85
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		\$507.85
Federal Revenue Sharing for 1973		5,177.00
		4,746.00
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		\$10,439.85

Federal Revenue Sharing Feb. 1, 1974	4,746.00
	<u>\$15,176.85</u>

M. S. A. D. No. 34

Assessment		\$97,218.13
Paid M. S. A. D. No. 34	\$91,952.33	
Balance to Surplus	5,265.80	
	<u>\$97,218.13</u>	<u>\$97,218.13</u>

Cemeterys and Flags

Appropriation	\$850.00
1972 Balance	188.11
Credits	195.50
Int. Pine Grove Cemt	154.43
Int. Oak Grove Cemt.	364.10
	<u>\$1,752.24</u>

Davis Tree Expert Co.	\$ 200.00
Whitehead and Son, Inc.	224.00
Home Supply Center, Inc.	52.20
Warren Heath Jr.	240.72
Wallace Heath	138.72
Paul Ames	79.56
Arnold Harriman	106.08
C. E. Howes	13.22
Heath's Garage	18.47
Pine Grove Cemetery Assoc.	154.43

	\$1,227.40	
Balance Carried to 1974	524. 81	
	<u>\$1,752.24</u>	<u>\$1,752.24</u>

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Accounts Payable

State of Maine Balance Due		
on 1970 A.D.C. Account	\$121.50	
Charged to Surplus		\$121.50

Workmen's Compensation Insurance

Appropriation		\$400.00
Distribution:		
Field & Quimby	\$340.00	
Return on Premium	74.00	
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	\$266.00	
Balance to Surplus	134.00	
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	\$400.00	\$400.00

Tax Anticipation Loan

March 14, 1973 Depositors Trust Co.	\$41,000.00
Feb. 1, 1974 Paid Depositors	
Trust Co.	\$41,000.00

Interest on Loan

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Interest Earned at Bangor Savings Bank		2,066.44
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		\$3,066.44
Feb. 1, 1974 Paid Depositors		
Trust Co.	\$1,383.75	
Balance to Surplus	1,682.69	
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	\$3,066.44	\$3,066.44

Surplus Account

Feb. 1, 1973

Unappropriated Surplus as Per Audit	\$23,389.52
Balances in Appropriation not	
Carried Forward	18,045.45
Supplemental Taxes	1,160.66
Overlay	2,825.96
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	\$45,421.59

Less Accounts Overdrawn	\$821.28
Abatements 1968	9.50
Abatements 1969	24.30
Abatements 1970	31.20
Abatements 1971	6.00
Abatements 1972	12.00

\$904.28

2% Discount Allowed 1,219.81

\$2,124.09

Feb. 2, 1974 Surplus 43,297.50

\$45,421.59

\$45,421.59**Maine Community Betterment**

Appropriation \$150.00

Distribution:

Dorothy Albin	\$ 8.00
James Bradeen	12.50
Richard Ames	30.00
Arthur Buck	90.00
C. E. Howes	2.78

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W. H. Shurtleff Co.	9.97	
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	\$153.25	
Overdraft		3.25
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		\$153.25

Community Building

Appropriation \$1,000.00

Distribution:

Charles MacKenzie	\$ 26.52
Field & Quimby, Inc.	58.00
Frost & Wilkins, Inc. (Fill Pipe)	49.61
Sprowl Bros, Inc.	44.15
Keith B. Roberts, Furnace Motor	37.58

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	\$215.86	
Balance Carried	784.14	

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\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

Fire House Building Fund

Appropriation 1972	\$2,500.00
1973 Federal Revenue Sharing	3,500.00

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Total Fund	\$6,000.00

County Tax

Assessment	\$7,336.50
Paid County Treasurer	\$7,336.50

Sanitary Land Fill

Appropriated, From Federal Revenue Sharing \$5,500.00

Distribution:

Bancroft & Martin Inc.	\$	258.96	
Peter Crane		42.06	
Sprowl Bros., Inc.		2,500.00	
Dorothy Albin		5.00	
C. W. Drinkwater		449.27	
H. W. Clark		825.32	
P. L. Davis		48.18	
Wilber L. Cochrane		185.71	
Richard Ames		81.90	
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		\$4,396.40	
Balance Carried		1,103.60	
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		\$5,500.00	<hr/>
			\$5,500.00

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Cash on Hand Feb. 1, 1973	\$11,774.39
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Received from:

Dorothy Bradeen, Tax Collector

1971 Taxes	83.20
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Interest on 1971 Taxes	9.15
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1972 Taxes	5,177.34
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Interest on 1972 Taxes	66.41
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1973 Taxes	122,188.47
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Interest on 1973 Taxes	103.24
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Ten Day Notices	4.00
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1973 Excise Tax	11,316.42
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1974 Excise Tax	4,216.72
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143,164.95

Depositors Trust Co. Loan	41,000.00
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Certificates of Deposit	9,218.00
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Interest on Certificates	115.20
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50,333.20

Bangor Savings Bank,

Savings Account	72,383.75
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Interest & Income on Cemetery

Trust Funds	518.53
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72,902.28

Treasurer of United States, Federal

Revenue Share	14,669.00
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Treasurer of State of Maine, State

Revenue Share	\$3,296.54
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Snowmobile Refund	288.00
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Snow Removal Refund	3,996.00
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Bank Stock Tax	11.26	
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		7,591.90
Field & Quimby, Workmen's Comp. Refund		74.00
Town of Winterport, Poor Relief Refund		89.55
Frederick Cross, Culvert		65.91
Russell Knight, Town Property		177.00
Malcolm Joy, Town Property		50.92
Fire Department:		
M. C. Oakes, Donation	25.00	
Robbins Lumber, Inc., Donation	100.00	
Bert Melvin, Donation	10.00	
David Simmons, Truck	50.00	
John Hills, Hose	5.00	
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		190.00

Cemetery, Sale of Lots:

Raymond Gould $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot	17.50	
Wilson Pollard $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot	17.50	
Agnes Fuller $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot	17.50	
Perpetual Care:		
John Farrar	10.00	
John Farrar	200.00	
Marietta Packard for Adams Lot	100.00	
Richard Ames, Lawn Mower	133.00	
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		495.50

Received from 1971 Tax Lien Sales:

Joseph Durgin	119.00
Edgar & Paulette Pert	133.20
Rodney Fuller	104.00
Harry Smith	81.73
Norman Fuller	105.27
Herbert Butler	10.40

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Maurice Butler	124.80
George Clark	26.00
Arthur Gibbs	199.68
Richard Merrifield	218.40
Forest Dodge (Malcolm Joy)	95.60
Technology Search Inc.	145.60
Arthur Leadbetter	136.24
Gustave DeCortin	1,073.80
James Carlton Et Al	83.20
Heirs of Clarence Gelo	212.16

 \$2,869.08

Interest and Lien Costs

502.95

Received from 1972 Tax Lien Sales:

Clayton Moore	\$ 61.20
Robert McGraw (E. Chandler)	43.44
Ernest Erskine	112.20
Silvano & Cheryl Schvertt	143.82
Paul & Darlene Perry	357.00
Shannon Whitehead	162.54
Herbert Butler	10.20
Malcolm Callahan	204.28
Harry Smith	77.61
William Leavenworth	408.00

 1,580.29

Interest and Lien Costs

149.10

Total Receipts Plus Cash on Hand

Feb. 1, 1973

\$306,680.02

Less Warrants Paid

297,441.26

Cash on Hand Feb. 1, 1974

\$ 9,238.76

Respectfully Submitted,
 DOROTHY BRADEEN
 Treasurer

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Number of Marriages of Residents of Searsmont 8

Number of Births to Residents of Searsmont 12

Number of Deaths of Residents of Searsmont 5

Number of Persons Buried in Searsmont 10

Respectfully Submitted,

DOROTHY BRADEEN, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1973 Tax Commitment	\$131,541.84
Supplemental Taxes	1,182.06
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	\$132,723.90
Cash Collections	122,188.47
Discounts	1,219.81
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	123,408.28
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Taxes Receivable February 1, 1974	\$9,315.62
Excise Taxes Collected	\$15,533.14
1973 Taxes Receivable February 1, 1974	

**Denotes Paid after books closed.

Butler, Maurice	\$ 129.60
Chandler, Earl & Violet	261.36
Callahan, Malcolm & Margaret	261.36
Clark, George	10.80
Dyer, Eugene & Virginia	135.00
Durgin, Joseph M.	162.00
Erskine, Ernest & Patricia	88.80
Fuller, Rodney & Mary	108.00
**Fuller, Ronald & Marie	135.00
Fuller, Gardner	172.80
Fuller, Norman & Louise	115.56
Fuller, Walter	21.60
Gelo, Heirs of Clarence	231.12
Gibbs, Arthur	239.76

Knight, Russell & Margaret	43.20
Leadbetter, Heirs of Norman	141.48
LeSan, Albert & Joanne	86.40
Landry, Myles R.	300.24
Marriner, Clifton & Myrtle	124.20
Merrifield, Richard & Ruth	226.80
McCafferty, Thomas & Nancy	299.16
**Mehuren, Donald & Irene	1,773.36
Merrifield, Harlan	129.60
Moore, Clayton	70.20
Pert, Edgar & Paulette	140.40
Potvin, Alex	148.58
Perry, Paul & Darlene	415.80
Robinson, Frances	43.20
Rossignol, Armand	151.20
Sinclair, Frederick	34.56
Sweetland, Wilbur	109.92
Smith, Harry & Lena	145.80
Seavey, James & Barbara	352.20
Seagle, Carl	162.00
Schvertt, Silvano & Cheryl	152.28
Wadsworth, Clayton & Martha	71.76
Willey, Phillip	21.60
York, Larry & Karen	183.60

7,397.30

Non-Resident

Carleton, William, Jr. et al.	86.40
Carleton, William	129.60
DeCortin, Gustave	1,115.10
Hooper, Ernest	10.80
**Hadley, Helen, Heirs of	59.40
Howe, Edward	2.40
Keene, Alexander	170.10

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Lamont, Walter	35.64	
Morgan, Gertrude	10.80	
Merrifield, Harlan	10.80	
Newell, Lewis	17.28	
Santos, Donald	118.80	
Technology Search, Inc.	151.20	
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		1,918.32
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		9,315.62
1968 Taxes Receivable, Feb. 1, 1973	9.50	
Abated	9.50	
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1969 Taxes Receivable, Feb. 1, 1973	24.30	
Abated	24.30	
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1970 Taxes Receivable, Feb. 1, 1973	31.20	
Abated	31.20	
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1971 Taxes Receivable, Feb. 1, 1973	89.20	
Collected	83.20	
Abated	6.00	
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1972 Taxes Receivable, Feb. 1, 1973	8,797.36	
Supplemental Tax	3.00	
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		8,800.36
Cash Collections	5,177.34	
To Tax Liens	3,509.02	
Abatements	12.00	

Tax Acquired Property	71.40	
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Outstanding:		\$30.60
Arthur Gibbs	20.40	
Gertrude Morgan	10.20	
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Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY BRADEEN

Tax Collector

AUDITOR'S REPORT

State of Maine
DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT
Augusta, Maine

May 18, 1973

Board of Selectmen
Searsmont,
Maine

In accordance with Title 30, Section 5253, Maine Revised Statutes Annotated of 1964, as amended, an audit has been conducted of the financial records of the Town of Searsmont for the fiscal year ended February 1, 1973.

The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the exhibits and schedules incorporated in this report present fairly the financial position of the Town at February 1, 1973 and the results of the financial operations for the period indicated.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT, JR.

State Auditor

SCOPE OF AUDIT

The system of internal control was reviewed as it pertained to the handling of cash and other matters of financial concern. Cash accounts were verified by reconcillation of bank statements and count of cash.

An analysis was made of receipts and deposits as well as disbursements and bank charges. Vouchers, payrolls and canceled checks were examined on a selective basis. Letters of confirmation were used on a test basis to verify the correctness of recorded assets and liabilities.

Revenue accruing to the municipality from various sources was examined and checked to pertinent records. Records of the town meeting, as they pertained to financial matters, were reviewed. Trust and special fund transactions were checked. Insurance and surety bond coverages were determined.

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C O M M E N T S

DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

The fiscal year's operations showed that a net unexpended departmental balance of \$3,556.32 was lapsed to unappropriated surplus, per the following summary:

Departmental Accounts:

Unexpended Balances	\$8,389.73
Overdrafts	4,833.41
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Net Unexpended Balance	\$3,556.32
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The overlay and unexpended balances in the contingent and loan interest accounts less discounts, tax abatements and overdrafts in various road accounts were the major factors contributing to the net unexpended departmental balance lapsed. The records did not indicate that any authority had been granted by the legislative body to allow overdrafts in appropriation accounts.

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The following comments pertain to the accompanying financial statements:

ASSETS.....The general cash balance was \$11,824.49 at the year end. The bank balance used in reconciling the cash balance was confirmed by the depository. A change fund of \$50.00 was on hand and in the custody of the tax collector.

INVESTMENTS.....Federal Revenue Sharing Funds of \$9,218.00 were invested in certificates of deposit with the Depositors Trust Company, Belfast, Maine.

Accounts receivable of \$112.25 were comprised of balances due for ambulance services.

Taxes receivable of \$8,880.16 represented current year accounts of \$8,725.96 and prior years' accounts totaling \$154.20 dating from 1968. Tax liens and tax acquired property amounted to \$3,489.15 and \$358.60 respectively.

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS.....Accounts payable of \$121.50 consisted of a 1971 balance due the State of Maine for Aid to Dependent Children.

Unexpended departmental acct. bals. totaling \$1,153.63 were carried forward to the ensuing year pending town vote.

The unappropriated surplus amounted to \$23,389.52, an increase of \$1,837.39 for the year. This change was occasioned principally by the net unexpended departmental balance lapsed, less a voter-authorized transfer for interest requirements on temporary loans.

TRUST FUNDS....Trust fund principals totaled \$18,766.26 and unexpended income was \$7,103.25. The trust funds were represented by bank deposits totaling \$14,369.51 and securities of \$11,500.00. The deposits were confirmed by the bank and the securities were physically checked at the town office.

SPECIAL FUNDS.....The Marriner School Fund of \$651.18 and the School Building Fund of \$2,405.46 were confirmed as being on deposit in the Bangor Savings Bank, Belfast, Maine.

RESERVE FUND.....At the annual town meeting it was voted to establish a reserve fund for the building of a fire house. The fund balance was \$2,606.50 at February 1, 1973 and was confirmed as being on deposit with the Bangor Savings Bank, Belfast, Maine.

GENERAL.....The use of all excise tax revenue for snow removal purposes and a transfer from surplus for temporary loan interest were voter authorized at the annual town meeting.

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EXHIBIT A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

February 1, 1973 February 1, 1972

GENERAL FUND

ASSETS

Cash On Hand and In Bank	\$11,824.49	\$12,357.98
Investments	9,218.00	
Accounts Receivable	112.25	
Taxes Receivable	8,880.16	8,004.50
Tax Liens	3,489.15	1,671.13
Tax Acquired Property	358.60	148.60
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TOTAL	\$33,882.65	\$22,182.21
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TRUST, SPECIAL AND RESERVE FUNDS

ASSETS

Trust Funds:		
Time Deposits	\$14,369.51	\$13,594.44
Securities	11,500.00	11,500.00
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	\$25,869.51	\$25,094.44
Special Funds:		
Time Deposits	3,056.64	2,907.90
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	3,056.64	2,907.90
Reserve Funds:		
Time Deposit	2,606.50	
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TOTAL	\$31,532.65	\$28,002.34
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February 1, 1973 February 1, 1872

GENERAL FUND

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS

Liabilities:

Accounts Payable \$ 121.50

Reserves:

Departmental Balances Carried

(Exhibit D) \$1,153.63 \$ 630.08

Fed. Rev. Sh. 9,218.00

	<u>10,371.63</u>	<u>\$ 630.08</u>
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Surplus:

Unappropriated (Exhibit C)	23,389.52	21,552.13
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TOTAL	<u>\$33,882.65</u>	<u>\$22,182.21</u>
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TRUST, SPECIAL AND RESERVE FUNDS

LIABILITIES

Trust Funds:

Cem. Per. Care \$11,848.55 \$11,680.65

Worthy Poor 14,020.96 13,413.79

	<u>\$25,869.51</u>	<u>\$25,094.44</u>
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Special Funds:

Marriner Sch. Fund 651.18 619.50

Sch. Bldg. Fund 2,405.46 2,288.40

	<u>3,056.64</u>	<u>2,907.90</u>
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Reserve Funds:

Fire House Bldg. Fund 2,606.50

TOTAL	<u>\$31,532.65</u>	<u>\$28,002.34</u>
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EXHIBIT D

STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended February 1, 1973

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	ExpendituresBalances..... Lapsed Carried
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,200.00	\$	\$2,200.00	\$2,178.92	\$ 21.08 \$
Contingent	1,000.00	1,044.24	2,044.24	1,204.59	839.65
Tax Coll. Commission	2,200.00		2,200.00	1,900.21	299.79
Town Reports, Fuel, Office Supplies	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,958.03	(458.03)
Me. Munic. Asn., Dues	155.00			155.00	
PROTECTION					
Civil Defense		398.20	398.20	124.00	274.20
Street Lights	700.00		700.00	688.90	11.10
Fire Dept, Men		25.00	25.00		25.00
Equipment	2,000.00	75.00	2,075.00	2,013.40	61.60
Workmen's Comp.	300.00		300.00	345.00	(45.00)
Liberty Vol Amb. Service	200.00		200.00	200.00	
Fire House Cap. Res. Fd.	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00	

ANNUAL REPORT

Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	ExpendituresBalances..... Lapsed Carried
HEALTH AND SANITATION				
Health Clinics	25.00	25.00	15.00	10.00
Town Dump	1,000.00	1,000.00	452.65	457.65
Mid-Coast Mental Health Clinic	75.00	75.00		75.00
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES				
Roads and Bridges	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,049.21	(49.21)
Snow Removal		16,446.34	18,325.57	(1,879.23)
State Aid Rd. Const.	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	
Town Road Improvement		3,758.81	3,898.00	(139.19)
Tarring Borough Hill	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,478.34	(478.34)
Ghent Hill Road	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,058.80	(58.80)
Moody Mountain Rd.	500.00	500.00	500.00	
West Appleton Road	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Pond Road	500.00	500.00	451.76	48.24
Robbins Road	200.00	200.00	181.90	18.10
Belfast-Union Rd. South	500.00	500.00	499.94	.06

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	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	ExpendituresBalances..... Lapsed Carried
WELFARE					
Veterans' Aid	25.00		25.00		25.00
Poor Relief	1,000.00		1,000.00	731.62	268.38
Old Age Assistance	100.00		100.00	42.63	57.37
Surplus Food	300.00		300.00	279.50	20.50
EDUCATION					
S. A. D. No. 34	86,295.47		86,295.47	86,295.47	
CEMETERIES					
General Maintenance	450.00	125.00	575.00	575.00	
Perpet. Care Maintenance		528.30	528.30	340.19	188.11
DEBT AND INTEREST					
Int. on Temporary Loans		3,210.57	3,210.57	1,265.95	1,944.62
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS					
County Tax	5,950.00		5,950.00	5,950.00	
Overlay	4,660.19		4,660.19		4,660.19

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	ExpendituresBalances..... Lapsed Carried
UNCLASSIFIED					
White Pine Blister Rust Control	200.00		200.00	200.00	
Community Building	1,000.00	206.88	1,206.88	1,135.86	71.02
Me. Commun. Betterment	150.00		150.00	127.00	23.00
Supplemental Taxes		54.00	54.00		54.00
Tax Abatements				537.96	(537.96)
Tax Discounts				1,187.65	(1,187.65)
TOTAL	\$127,785.66	25,872.34	153,658.00	148,948.05	1,153.63

TOWN WARRANT

**To Warren Heath, Jr., a Constable of the Town of
Searsmont, in the County of Waldo, Greetings:**

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Searsmont, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble in the New School Building in the Village in said Town on the 16th day of March, A. D. 1974 at 10 A. M. Daylight Saving Time, to act on the following articles, to wit:

(The amounts listed below were recommended at the Budget Meeting Feb. 11, 1974)

- Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To see what wages the Town will pay to the following:
- (a) Men and Equipment
 - (b) Health Officer
 - (c) Town Clerk
 - (d) Town Treasurer
 - (e) Selectmen
 - (f) Fire Chief
 - (g) Registrar of Voters

(h) Civil Defense Director

(i) All other Town Officers

Art. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To choose a Collector of Taxes, and to determine the method of collecting the same.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to grant a 2%, more or less, abatement on taxes for voluntary cash payment on or before August 15, 1974.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote a $\frac{1}{2}\%$ per month interest on taxes unpaid on December 1, 1974.

Art. 10. To choose one or more Constables for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To choose all other Town Officers:

(a) Fire Chief

(b) Registrar of Voters

(c) Sexton

(d) Civil Defense Director

(e) Health Officer

(f) Sealer of Weights & Measures.

(g) School Director for a 3 year term

- Art. 12. To see what sum the Town will raise or appropriate for the Mid-Coast Mental Health Clinic. \$75.00
- Art. 13. To see what sum the Town will raise or appropriate for Health Clinics. \$25.00
- Art. 14. To see what sum the Town will raise or appropriate for Workmen's Compensation Insurance. \$400.00
- Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for State Aid Road Construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Title 23, MRSA, Sections 1101, 1103, or 1104. (6 units) \$3,996.00.
- Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for maintaining the Pond Road. \$1,000.00
- Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Robbins Road, so called. \$500.00
- Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to reopen the Pond Road from Buck's Camp beyond the wooden bridge to the turn off to the Hazeltine Property Lot No. 89, a distance of one half mile.

- Art. 19. To see if the Town will raise or appropriate a sum of money for Summer Maintenance on the Pond Road extension (Art. 18) not to exceed \$200.00
- Art. 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for repair and maintaining the Woodman Road. \$500.00
- Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Roads and Bridges. \$6,000.00
- Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money for Tarring on Muzzy Ridge Road. \$1,000.00
- Art. 23. To see what sum the Town will raise or appropriate for Retarring Grovers Hill and Appleton Ridge. \$2,000.00
- Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will raise or appropriate for maintaining the Morrow Hill Road. \$300.00
- Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Tarring West Appleton Road. \$500.00
- Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for maintaining the Belfast Union Road South. \$1,000.00
- Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for maintaining Belfast Union Road East. \$500.00

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to Contract with the Liberty Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc. for ambulance service for one (1) year under the following terms:

- A. Pay a sum of \$300.00 per year as a retainer fee:
- B. Guarantee Payment of Fees for those persons who do not make payment after three (3) notices. (Fee per run is \$20.00 plus \$.55 per loaded mile. Persons holding subscriptions are excluded from this clause.)

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the following purposes:

- (a) Commission of Tax Collector \$2,200.00
- (b) Town Officers' Salaries 3,000.00
- (c) Town report, fuel, office supplies 2,000.00
- (d) Contingent Account 1,000.00
- (e) Fire Dept. Equipment 2,000.00
- (f) Street Lights 750.00
- (g) Fire Department (Men) (Carry Balance of \$25.00)
- (h) Civil Defense (Carry Balance of \$274.20)
- (i) Snow Removal for 1974-75
(All Excise Tax Money)
- (j) Surplus Foods 500.00
- (k) Old Age Assistance (Carry Balance of \$107.37)

(k) Poor Relief	1,000.00
(l) Veterans' Aid (Carry Balance of \$25.00)	
(n) Community Building (Carry Bal. \$784.14) Raise	300.00
(o) Cemetery and Flags	850.00
(p) Interest on Loans	1,000.00
(q) Maine Community Betterment	175.00
(r) Pine Tree Blister Rust Control	600.00
(s) Maine Municipal Assoc. Dues	177.60
(t) Town Planning Board (carry Bal. of \$85.00) raise	20.00
Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to change the Fire Dept. Telephone warning system, to a new type, George Sprowl can explain.	\$800.00
Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to locate a Building Site for the new Fire House.	
Art. 32. To see if the Town will elect a building commit- tee to see about building a new Fire House, <i>or buy a building.</i>	
Art. 33. To see if the Town wishes to raise and appro- priate a sum of money to go with the (\$6,000) <i>For</i> to build a Fire House, if in favor how much?	
Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appro- priate a sum of money, or borrow a sum to purchase a new Fire Truck.	
Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to guarantee a	

minimum of \$4,000.00 for plowing snow for the winter of 1974 and 1975.

- Art. 36. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a new Sander.
\$1,800.00

- Art. 37. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money just in case there is no T.R.I. for 1974 to be used for the Borough Road. If there is T.R.I. this money would not be used.
\$3,700.00

- Art. 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Day Care Center.
\$75.00

- Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to carry the balance in the Dump Account for 1974. \$1,257.85

- Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept the land purchased by the Selectmen for the location of a new Sanitary Land Fill Disposal, pending the outcome of the Court Hearing.

- Art. 41. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money from Federal Revenue Sharing to continue with the new Dump.
\$5,000.00

- Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to give the Sears-mont Snow Mobile Club, for making trails, a sum of \$75.00 from the Snowmobile refund the Town receives from the State.

- Art. 43. To have a report from the Planning Board.
- Art. 44. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for a new Honor Roll. \$300.00
- Art. 45. Shall an ordinance, entitled Searsmont Shoreland Zoning be enacted in the Town of Searsmont. (Art. approved by M.M.A.)
- ~~Art. 46. A change in Shoreland Zoning ordinance, page 5, Art. C. on Camp Grounds.
There shall be no Commercial development of lands on any Pond or River other than that already existing at the date of this ordinance.~~
- Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute a quit claim deed for such property, provided that such property has been assessed as having no significant value to the Town.

The Registrar of Voters will be at the New School House at nine o'clock daylight saving time, A.M. in the morning on the 16th day of March, A. D. 1974 for correcting the voting list.

A true copy, attest:

PERRY L. DAVIS

DOROTHY ALBIN

ROBERT WOOD

4/28/2008
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